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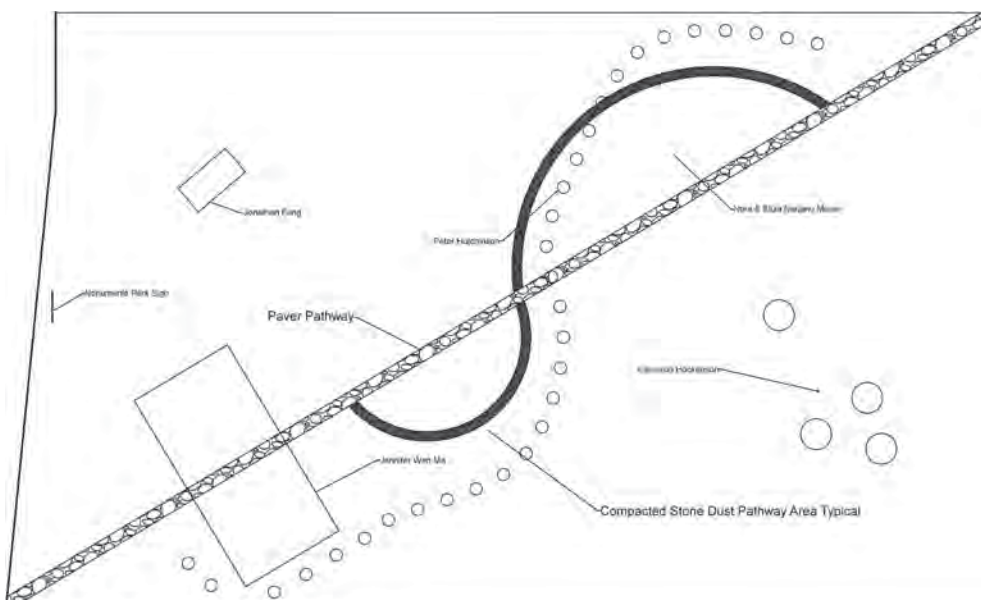
**By: Kael Anderson,  
Southwest Neighborhood  
Assembly President**

Occasionally opportunities come along. The DC Commission on the Arts & Humanities' largest public art project is coming to Southwest in a big way. In addition to an installation at Arena Stage, the grassy, or mostly grassy, lawn between CVS and Christ United Methodist Church will see an explosion of visual and performance art during September as part of 5x5. Lance Fung, who has organized projects around the world, most notably in Turin for the Olympics, is curating the works of five different artists here. The installations will activate the vacant lawn administered by the Deputy Mayor for Economic Development (DMPED).

Yet one thing lies in the path: the gravel pathway.

For all too long, Southwesterners have bemoaned

# A New Path Forward



this pathway. It quickly became an infamous eyesore, tripping hazard, and impediment to otherwise activating the lawn. Yet DMPED had no inclination or incentive to address it.

Recognizing the incongruity of one DC agency compromising a preeminent public investment by another DC agency, I raised this issue with ANC Commissioner Stacy Cloyd. We pointed this incongruity out to DMPED and combined it with the fact that the agency was seeking the support of the Southwest community on a number of projects, including an extension of their Planned Unit Development approval.

As unveiled at May's ANC meeting, we're grateful that DMPED has acquiesced and will be providing a new pathway in time for the 5x5 installation in September. The pathway is uniquely designed to be functional while also supporting the 5x5 art project.

## KNOW YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD: *The DC Harbor Patrol*

**By: Max Gruber**

*As the summer heat creeps in and people head to the waterways surrounding our neighborhood, The Southwester staff asked me to look into those who keep us safe. These unknown heroes are the DC Harbor Patrol, and they are right here in the neighborhood.*

Over Memorial Day weekend I had the unique opportunity of going for a ride-along with the DC Harbor Patrol. Like many DC residents, I was initially unaware that DC even has a Harbor Patrol, let alone that the Patrol is headquartered in Southwest DC; however this shouldn't have come as a surprise. The District has approximately 26 miles of waterways, and Southwest, located at the nexus of the Anacostia and Potomac Rivers, is a prime location for the Harbor Patrol to launch. I met with Officer Robert Varga, a newer member of the Patrol, to understand the team's mission, familiarize myself with their capabilities, and, most importantly, to educate our readers on boater safety now that summer is finally here.

The Harbor Patrol headquarters is a nondescript, beige building tucked away at 550 Water Street SW. The 20-member team is responsible for patrolling all the lakes and rivers in the District. The team patrols as far south as Quantico and as far north as Little Falls. It seems like a lot of ground to cover for 20 officers, but as Officer Varga told me, "We are well equipped and well trained." Apart from the two helicopters, an air boat, jet skis, and a tactical command boat that can coordinate any type of large scale operation from the water, the DC Harbor Patrol also has in its arsenal a half-dozen rigid-hulled inflatable boats. A combination raft and speed boat,



*Officer Robert Varga posing with one of the patrol boats.*

these inflatable boats are the Harbor Patrol's workhorses and the most likely for you to see on waterway. And boy, were they impressive! I put on my life-preserver, hopped aboard Officer Varga's cruiser, and we were off.

After getting past the no-wake zone, which covers most of the water in and around the heavily trafficked areas of DC, Officer Varga showed me his cruiser's capabilities.

"Hold on tight!" he yelled. I grabbed on to the bar behind the driver's seat. Officer Varga pushed the throttle forward. We were at the boat's top speed, 60 mph, in a matter of seconds. My knuckles were white while the wind whipped my face as we cruised over big wakes. Demonstrating its handling, Officer Varga made a tight turn. The boat listed what felt like 90 degrees and we were practically horizontal to the water. This did not feel like a boat, but

more like a race car. Entering the no-wake zone near Old Town Alexandria, Officer Varga demonstrated the boat's equally impressive stopping power as it stopped on a dime. But, being on top of the water is only half of the story.

The members of the DC Harbor Patrol are highly trained police officers. Apart from ensuring boater safety, all members of the Patrol are certified divers. A major aspect of the job is diving through the murky depths, up to 35 feet in some parts, of the Potomac and Anacostia Rivers to conduct rescue operations and recover contraband, weapons, and, in some cases, bodies for use in police investigations. For the divers, the visibility below is practically zero. Although their patrol boats are outfitted with the latest GPS and sonar technologies, which, according to Officer Varga, “have the capability to find a knife at the bottom of the Potomac,” their sonars can only clue them in to the general location. The divers are still forced to use touch, feeling around the bottom of the riverbed, to recover exactly what they are looking for. I asked Officer Varga if there is any trepidation when he dives, especially when he first joined the Patrol.

He replied, "It's a mission. You go into professional mode."

As we made our way back to Harbor Patrol headquarters, I asked Officer Varga if he had any parting tips, recommendations, or requests for the boating public now that the summer had officially begun.

"The boating public is quite respectful," he stated. "One of the reasons I joined the Patrol was to have a positive relationship with the public and to educate people on boater safety."

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## Agreement Signed to Develop Condominium Building at the Yards

## Parcel Sale Brings First For-Sale Residential to Neighborhood

Forest City Washington and PN Hoffman announced the signing of a purchase and sale agreement in which PN Hoffman will acquire a site located at The Yards to develop a condominium building of approximately 130 units on ten floors that will be the first for-sale residential product at the development.

The development site, located on Fourth Street SE at Tingey Street SE in The Yards, is approximately one-third of “Parcel O” in The Yards master plan. The Yards is a major urban mixed-use redevelopment project of Forest City Washington situated on the waterfront in the city’s Capitol Riverfront neighborhood. Forest City was selected by the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) to develop The Yards to transform the Southeast Federal Center into a vibrant waterfront neighborhood.

“The demand for our residential rental products is very strong and The Yards continues to be a wonderful success story,” said Deborah Ratner Salzberg, president of Forest City Washington. “As we remain committed to the site, we continue to receive many inquiries about a condominium component that we believe would integrate well with the overall mix of offerings at The Yards. We’re thrilled to have PN Hoffman develop the initial condo building at The Yards because they always deliver a high quality, well-received product.”

These luxury condominium residences will

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## National Capital Planning Commission Releases Draft of SW Ecodistrict Plan Addendum for Public Comment

At its monthly meeting on June 5, the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) released the draft version of the *SW Ecodistrict Plan* addendum for public comment. The addendum, drafted by NCPC staff in consultation with members of the SW Ecodistrict Task Force, details the assumptions and technical information that informed preparation of the *SW Ecodistrict Plan* accepted by the Commission in 2013. NCPC seeks public comment on the draft addendum, particularly in regards to its content and clarity, through July 7. Comments may be submitted by email to [swecodistrict@ncpc.gov](mailto:swecodistrict@ncpc.gov).

The addendum also provides guidance on general development and urban design principles for the study area. NCPC, the General Services Administration (GSA), and area stakeholders can use the document to further inform planning and development decisions within the

SW Ecodistrict.

The draft technical addendum seeks to:

- Document the assumptions and technical information that informed the plan;
- Clarify the plan's key public realm and development objectives; and
- Outline urban design principles to:
  - Ensure that new development is compatible with the monumental core of the nation's capital;
  - Bridge national and local interests as the area redevelops;
  - Extend the civic qualities of the National Mall to Banneker Park; and
  - Create a site for a new museum or cultural use at Banneker Park.

The *SW Ecodistrict Plan* is a comprehensive and forward-looking approach to transforming an isolated federal precinct into a highly sustainable workplace and livable neighborhood.

The effort is the result of a comprehensive planning process led by NCPC involving 17 federal and District agencies, combined with input from private and public property owners and the public.

A copy of the plan, the draft technical addendum, and details on how to submit public comments, are available online: [www.ncpc.gov/swecodistrict](http://www.ncpc.gov/swecodistrict).

■ *The National Capital Planning Commission is the federal government's central planning agency in the District of Columbia and surrounding counties of Maryland and Virginia. The Commission provides overall guidance for federal land and buildings in the region. It also reviews the design of federal projects and memorials, oversees long-range planning for future development, and monitors capital investment by federal agencies.*

## Young Ladies on the Rise Closing Ceremony and Ice Cream Social

By: Dena Walker

Ice cream bar with toppings, a moon bounce, snow cones, popcorn, cotton candy, games, and prizes. Sounds like a carnival, doesn't it? Well, it was not a carnival, but this event was plenty of fun for all who were in attendance. What was taking place with all these goodies on hand at the King Greenleaf Recreation Center was an ice cream social in honor of the participants of the Young Ladies on the Rise (YLOR) mentoring program. YLOR at King Greenleaf Recreation Center is lead by Safiyyah Aleem-Woods, who organized the event along with support from DPR colleagues and community volunteers. She is a tireless advocate for all children that arrive at the recreation center and works diligently to promote activities and outings for young girls that enhance their self-



King Greenleaf Recreation staff member and Young Ladies on the Rise mentor Safiyyah-Aleem Woods stands in front of an ice cream serving table at the YLOR Ice Cream Social held at the King Greenleaf Recreation Center in SW.

esteem and educational prospects. Not surprisingly, the paper ice cream cone decorations were hand-made by the participants of YLOR. Thelma D. Jones, Chairperson, SWNA Youth Activities Task Force (YATF), not only served popcorn but also championed the YLOR program with YATF's support by assisting in sponsoring the occasion for the young ladies who were so deserving of such an event. Ms. Aleem-Woods personally thanked me for the continued support of the YATF youth programs and stated that the event could not have taken place without it.

## Arena Stage Announces National Call For Monologue Submissions

Arena Stage at the Mead Center for American Theater announced a national call for monologue submissions inspired by the world-premiere theatrical event *Our War*, a commission of 25 American playwrights as part of The National Civil War Project. Monologues should address or react to the American Civil War and how it reverberates in America today, and up to three winners will be selected to receive a performance of their monologue at Arena Stage by members of the cast of *Our War* at a post-show public reading on Nov. 6 following the 8:00 p.m. performance. Directed by Anita Maynard-Losh, *Our War* runs October 21 – November 9 in the Arlene and Robert Kogod Cradle.

Selected writers will also receive a session with American Voices New Play Institute dramaturge Jocelyn Clarke, a listing in the *Our War* program, and an award certificate. Video clips of the performed monologues will be posted on Arena Stage's website and shared via social media.

"A driving force behind The National Civil War Project is to create a dialogue around war and its reverberations, and what better way to start a conversation than by representing many different points of view from around the country," shares Artistic Director Molly Smith.

Monologues must be no more than three minutes (approximately 600 words in length), may be fictitious or based on family history and should be told from the point of view of a character associated with the American Civil War. Published and amateur writers, as well as students ages 18 and up, are encouraged to participate. The monologue may not have been previously published and must be written by one writer. No previous theater experience is required.

Applicants must submit their written monologue, name, address, phone number, email address and, if applicable, school name and grade to [kogodcradle@arenastage.org](mailto:kogodcradle@arenastage.org) by Aug. 11. Submissions will be read by Arena Stage staff and board members, local theater artists, and community partners. Monologues will be judged based on originality, character, storytelling, structure, and theatricality. Winners will be announced in September and a list of winning monologues will be posted at [arenastage.org](http://arenastage.org).

For additional details and competition guidelines visit [arenastage.org/ourwar](http://arenastage.org/ourwar).

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## Final Environmental Impact Statement Released for VAT

By: The Virginia Avenue Tunnel Project Team

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) have released a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the proposed reconstruction of the Virginia Avenue Tunnel. The FEIS incorporates feedback from the community and identifies "Alternative 3 - Two New Tunnels" as the preferred alternative for construction. The FEIS and a fact sheet are available at [www.virginiaavenuetunnel.com](http://www.virginiaavenuetunnel.com).

Under the process prescribed by the National

Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the agencies considered the alternatives outlined in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), released in July 2013, and determined that Alternative 3 best meets the project's purpose and need while addressing community concerns and minimizing impacts to the tunnel's neighbors.

Alternative 3 has the shortest construction time frame of the build alternatives considered (approximately 30 to 42 months). It addresses community concerns about moving trains through an open trench during construction by operating trains in an enclosed tunnel at all times in front of residences. It also maintains access for residents and emergency responders

to all homes and cross-streets during the entire construction process.

Copies of the FEIS are available for review at the following locations:

Southeast Neighborhood Library, 403 7th Street SE, Washington, DC 20003

Southwest Neighborhood Library, 900 Wesley Place SW, Washington, DC 20024

A public meeting will also be held on July 1 at the Capitol Skyline Hotel, 10 I Street SW, Washington, DC 20024 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The meeting will include a presentation on the details about construction and will include a brief time to ask questions of the project team.

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# Computer-for-Kids Graduation

By: Dena Walker

On June 8, three special young ladies became the most recent graduates of the 2014 Computer-for-Kids (CFK) program. Created in 2007, the CFK program is sponsored by the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly's Youth Activities Task Force, which, to date, has graduated more than 85 youth ages 6-13. Fittingly, the ceremony was held at the Syphax Gardens Resident Council computer lab. The theme of the graduation was "The Role of Computers in Achieving My Educational Goals," which spoke to the importance of technology use at all levels of educational attainments. A joyous time was had by all in attendance, which numbered about forty, and included family members, friends of the graduates, and civic leaders. Alysha Berry, an Amidon Elementary School alum and recent honor graduate of Riverdale Baptist High School, served as the mistress of ceremonies. The guest speaker was Bettina Brown, an incoming freshman at Catholic University who plans to major in architecture. As a little girl, Brown would often accompany her parents, CFK instructors Gerald Brown and LaShawn Williams, to class.

Also in attendance was Thelma D. Jones, Chairperson, SWNA Youth Activities Task Force, who announced that each graduate would receive a refurbished laptop compliments of the SWNA Technology Task Force. Jones also surprised guest speaker Brown by presenting her with a newly-refurbished laptop for college use. Also present was Kael Anderson, President

of SWNA, who addressed the students by congratulating them on their success and expressing the importance of this program. Instructor Gerald Brown, along with SWNA President Kael Anderson, presented the students with their certificates while recognizing their dedication and commitment to the training and praising the parents for their unwavering support.

The graduates in attendance were Gianni Marshall, ten, and Miracle Matthews, seven, who smiled bashfully as they were given standing ovations after receiving their certificates of completion. The ovation was especially poignant given the fact that the class began with 13 students and ended with three finishing the training. Such perseverance is a testament to the time and dedication demonstrated by the family and friends of these exceptional young ladies who ensured that their students achieved their goal. The laptops awarded to the graduates will be used in their homes not only to enhance their computer knowledge, but also to disseminate that knowledge to family members.

As the theme of the graduation states, the role of computers in achieving one's educational goals is significant to the majority of career aspirations. Learning how to operate a computer and utilize software applications can help the user in many fields of work and play. The CFK program is not only helping to reduce the digital divide in the community, but it also exemplifies the ongoing efforts of the Youth Activities Task Force to support programs and activities that help young people in its service area to reach



CFK Instructor Gerald Brown, YATF Chairperson Thelma Jones, and SWNA President Kael Anderson. In front (L to R) graduates Miracle Matthews and Giannii Marshall (absent from photo is graduate Dynaja Roach).

their goals and expose them to all that the world has to offer. Special thanks to Syphax Garden Resident Council for the use of their facility and

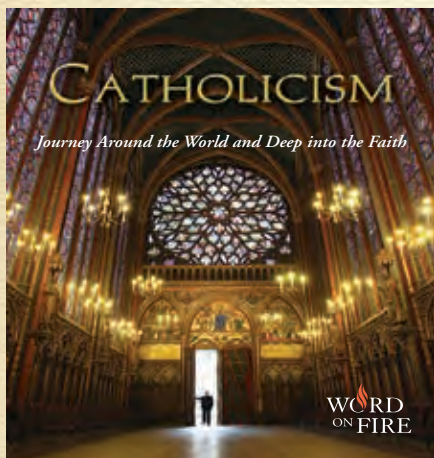
the Thelma D. Jones Breast Cancer Fund for the goodie bags awarded to the platform guests, graduates and their parents and grandparents.

## Friends of the SW Library Summer Book Sale!

The Friends of the Southwest DC Public Library will be holding its Summer Book Sale on Saturday, July 12 from 10 am to 3 pm and Sunday, July 13th from 1:30pm to 4pm at the Southwest DC Public Library, 900 Wesley SW (at K & 3rd St SW). Books will be discounted - **BUY ONE GET ONE FREE!** - and most will be \$1 or under. All proceeds for the sale will go directly to supporting programming and equipment needs of the SW library branch. Please email [friendsofswlibrary@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofswlibrary@gmail.com) with any questions. We hope to see you there!

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### Accepting applications:

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- Spanish Immersion Summer Camp, ages 3-9 y (July 28-Aug 21)
- Mamá y Yo classes, ages 18 m – 3 y (drop-in classes Fri & Sat)

### Waterfront Academy is hosting five Open Houses in July!

Wed, July 9 at 5:30-7:30p  
Sat, July 12 at 12-2p  
Mon, July 14 at 10a-12p

Wed, July 16 at 5:30-7:30p  
Sat, July 26 at 12-2p

Waterfront Academy is a dual immersion (Spanish and English) faith-based Montessori school with emphasis on charity and stewardship in the Catholic tradition.



## Create a Nonument: Citywide Youth Art Contest Organized by Washington Project for the Arts

**Jurors:** Lance Fung, Fung Collaboratives; Lisa Gold, Washington Project for the Arts; Tonya Jordan, DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities

**Eligibility:** DC Metro area students in grades K-12

**Deadline for Submissions:** August 25, 2014 at 5:00pm

**Exhibition Dates:** September 6 – October 6, 2014

Washington Project for the Arts (WPA) in collaboration with Lance Fung of Fung Collaboratives and DCCAH's 5x5 program are pleased to present *Create a Nonument*, a citywide youth art contest to celebrate Fung's 5x5 Project, *Nonuments*.

Washington, DC, our nation's capital, is renowned for its grand monuments honoring the history and achievements of great Americans. But behind the federal face of official Washington, there is a real city with distinctive neighborhoods filled with passionate citizens living their day-to-day lives. *Create a Nonument* is an opportunity for students to consider the history and meaning behind the monuments that surround them here in our nation's capital. Students living in this area see monuments on a daily basis without questioning their significance. This project seeks to challenge students to create their own monument to an idea, person, or personal struggle that they identify with but that would not be the subject of a traditional Washington,

DC monument.

The Nonument submissions will be judged on the following artistic elements:

■ **Concept:** How well the work relates to the theme of Nonuments

■ **Composition:** How well the elements of line and form work together

■ **Creativity:** The uniqueness of design and theme

Students will be split into three categories: Grades K-3, Grades 4-6, Grades 7-12. From each category the jurors will select a 3rd, 2nd, and 1st place winner. 3rd place winners will receive \$50, 2nd place winners will receive \$75, and 1st place winners will receive \$100. Students who place in their respective categories will also meet curator Lance Fung and be introduced at the opening reception for 5x5. All submissions will be on public exhibit from September 6 – October 6.

Winners will be notified by September 2.

### Rules

■ Students must be in grades K-12

■ Work must be submitted in person or mailed to:

Washington Project for the Arts  
ATTN: Create a Nonument Contest  
10 I St. SW  
Washington DC 20024

■ Works must be delivered by August 25 at 5:00pm

■ Work must be 2D and can be no larger than

24" x 36" (no video submissions permitted)

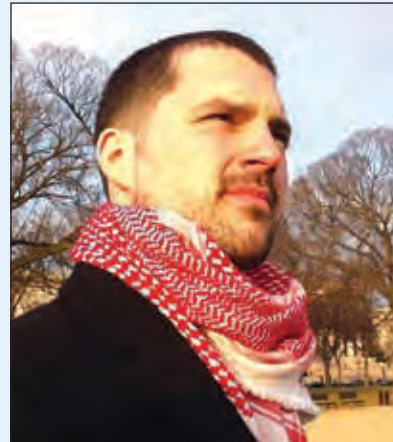
■ Work must be clearly labeled on the back with the following information:

Student's full name  
Title of their Nonument  
School  
Grade level  
Mailing address  
Contact number

Three to four sentences about what their Nonument represents

All submissions become the property of Washington Project for the Arts. Washington Project for the Arts reserves the right to reproduce works in conjunction with promotion of the contest, exhibition, and for archival purposes.

## Welcome to the Neighborhood!



**Name?** Craig Harrington

**Where did you move from?** The Shaw neighborhood of DC

**When did you move here?** May 2014

**What it is your first impression of Southwest?** I like how Southwest feels much more like a suburb than a city, but it is still only a few minutes from downtown, the National Mall, the attractions in Navy Yard, and the waterfront. It's quiet and green, but still in the heart of DC.

**What are you looking forward to most after moving here?** I moved to Southwest to be closer to the majority of my friends in the city. I haven't lived within walking distance of my friends since college, and I look forward to getting to spend time with everyone while being close to home.

*Know someone who just moved in that you would like to recommend? Send a photo and answers to the above questions to [editor@thesouthwester.com](mailto:editor@thesouthwester.com)*



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EVERY  
**SATURDAY:**  
Waterfront Workouts  
8:00-11:00am

**ENJOY** some of the District’s best Jazz, under the stars every Thursday in June produced with the support of Jazz Night in Southwest in partnership with Westminster Presbyterian Church.

- July 3—Ernie Douglas Kansas City Swing  
July 10—Earl Wilson Jazz Quintet  
July 17—Greg Lamont Jazz Ensemble
- July 24—Sharon Clark Quintet  
July 31—Sandra Johnson Jazz Ensemble

**LISTEN** to Friday night summer Blues—while relaxing along the waterfront promenade—produced with the support of Jazz Night in Southwest. And, savor King Ribs Barbeque.

- July 4—Memphis Gold Blues  
July 11—David Cole & Main Street Blues
- July 18—Danny Blew & The Blues Crew  
July 25—Anthony “Swampdog” Clark & The Blues All-Stars

**WORKOUT** beside the water with an energizing morning participating in the DC Dragon Boat Club beginning at 8am. Laurent Amzallag’s amazing YaLa Fitness class begins at 9am and Flow Yoga’s Jen Van Ness conducts a Flow Yoga class at 10am.

# WHARF

All Wharf activities, musical entertainment and waterfront workouts are FREE and produced by Hoffman-Madison Waterfront. Water Street Park is a free WIFI hot spot. The Wharf is within four blocks of the L’Enfant Plaza and Waterfront Station Metrorail stops. The Wharf is a new, mixed-use, waterfront development by Hoffman-Madison Waterfront that is now under construction. The first phase of The Wharf will open in 2017. When complete, The Wharf will feature approximately three million square feet of new residential, office, hotel, retail, cultural, and public uses including waterfront parks, promenades, piers, and docks. More information is online at [www.wharfdc.com](http://www.wharfdc.com). General information is available at 202-688-3590. **Hoffman-Madison Waterfront Development Site Office is now temporarily located at 600 Water Street SW—2nd floor.**



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The FEIS will be available for review for 30 days before an official decision is released, called the Record of Decision (ROD). After the conclusion of the review period, FHWA will issue a

Record of Decision, which provides the basis for the decision, summarizes mitigation measures incorporated into the project, and documents any required Section 4(f) approval. Dependent upon the decision in the ROD, CSX will share additional information about timing and other specifics.

For more information about the Virginia Avenue Tunnel project, visit [www.virginiaavenuetunnel.com](http://www.virginiaavenuetunnel.com).

## HARBOR PATROL

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With that being said, Officer Varga warned against boating under the influence. Little did I know, it carries the same penalties as a DUI. If caught, your boat will be towed to shore, and you will be arrested.

The biggest takeaway from this memorable day: safety. Make sure you have the proper safety equipment for yourself and all passengers aboard. Be licensed and registered. Operating a boat is no

different from operating a vehicle in the District. Most importantly, according to Officer Varga, "Wear a lifejacket!"

*The DC Harbor Patrol is located at 550 Water St. SW. A Boating Safety Certificate is required for vessels operating in DC. Boating safety courses are offered by the DC Harbor Patrol on most Saturdays. Check their website (<http://mpdc.dc.gov/node/204112>) for class schedules and to register. The cost is free, the certificate never expires, and it can be transferred to most jurisdictions in the country.*

## CONDOMINIUM

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echo the unique industrial past of the site both in building architecture and unit finishes. A range of residence sizes are currently planned from studios to two-bedroom units. A rooftop resident's lounge, outdoor kitchen and fire pits, private terraces and balconies, and front desk staff are just a few of the features expected to be available. As with every building developed at The Yards, PN Hoffman's property will offer street-level neighborhood-serving retail space that enhances livability.

"Forest City Washington had the vision to blend the history of Washington, DC's riverfront and its adaptive, historic buildings into a neighborhood experience," said PN Hoffman CEO Monty Hoffman. "We believe there is a great desire to live and own a piece of this history and waterfront community through a condominium residence. With all of the restaurants, the grocer, fitness center, Metro, Yards Park, cafes, and waterfront, daily life choices are abundant. We are excited about connecting with these amenities and creating a spectacular condo residence accretive to the overall waterfront community."

The parcel to be acquired by PN Hoffman is currently the site of the popular Trapeze School of New York (TSNY). The school will be relocated within The Yards once the former National Geo-Spatial Intelligence Agency building at First and M Streets SE is demolished. Demolition is expected to be completed by late summer.

Nearby, Forest City developed, owns, and manages the Foundry Lofts residential building, a 170-unit, adaptive reuse project that was fashioned from a former Navy Yard industrial building. When opened in late 2011, Foundry Lofts quickly leased up in four months and remains fully leased.

In June, Forest City will open its second apartment building at The Yards, the 218-unit Twelve12 project that will also feature a Harris Teeter grocery store, a 28,000-square-foot Vida Fitness facility including its Bang Salon, Aura Spa and Penthouse Pool Club and Lounge, as well as new store locations for Sweetgreen, TaKorean, and other non-food retailers and services, all opening later this year. Retail leasing for Twelve12 is currently 96 percent complete. Residential leasing began in early March and first move-ins are expected in June.

Additionally, construction is underway on the third apartment building to be developed by Forest City at The Yards. The 327-unit, 11-floor apartment building located at 1331 Fourth Street SE, designed by the renowned Robert A.M. Stern Architects, is expected to be completed in late 2015.

At full build-out, The Yards will offer approximately 2,800 new residential units, both for rent and for sale, up to 400,000 square feet of retail and 1.8 million square feet of office space, in addition to the award-winning waterfront Yards Park. Numerous restaurants and retailers have opened at The Yards within the past year and at least six more are expected to open later this year. Additional information about The Yards can be found online at [DCYards.com](http://DCYards.com).



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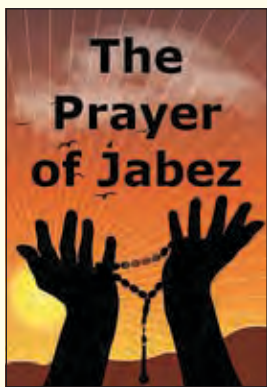
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## JULY

**THURS 3 8-9:30 A.M. Councilmember Tommy Wells** Southwest Community Office Hours will be held at Starbucks in the Safeway, 1100 4th Street SW. (No August Office Hours)

**SAT 5 10:30 A.M. Family Story Time.** Join us for stories, songs and activities to celebrate the season. For children of all ages and their families. **SW Neighborhood Library, 900 Wesley Place SW. 202-724-4752**

**MON 7-THURS 10TH Science in the Summer.** Free Hands-on bioscience classes for children. 1:30-2:30 P.M. Level 1 (Grades 2-3); 3-4 P.M. Level 2 (Grades 4-6). Pre-registration required. **SW Neighborhood Library, 202-724-4752**

**MON 7 7-8:30 P.M. PAWS of Southwest.** The monthly meeting is open to the public in the-downstairs community room of the **SW Neighborhood Library.** Also find us **PAWS of Southwest** on Facebook.

**SAT 7 4-5:30 P.M. Experience Yoga Nidra** Pamela Wilson guides a very deep, conscious relaxation with a focus on healing body, mind and spirit. No experience in Yoga or meditation necessary. A donation of \$10 is suggested. For more information call 202-746-6654 or email: wilsonpj108@verizon.net **Westminster Presbyterian Church, 400 M Street SW.**

**THURS 10 3-6 P.M. Wellness Weeks:** Free HIV Testing for Teens and Adults, Sasha Bruce Youthworks will conduct free HIV testing for those 13 and older. Those 13-24 who get tested will receive a Chipotle gift card. **SW Neighborhood Library, 202-724-4752**

**THURS 10 7 P.M. Lecture: The State of Marriage Equality,** Brookings Institution Fellow Jonathan Rauch, will discuss the current state of marriage equality. **SW Neighborhood Library, 202-724-4752**

**MON 14 7-10 P.M. ANC 6D Monthly Business Meeting,** 1100 4th St. SW, DCRA Hearing Room on 2nd floor.

**SAT 12 10 A.M.-3 P.M.** The Friends of the Southwest DC Public Library is holding its **SUMMER Book Sale.** Books will be discounted and most will be \$1 our under – BUY ONE, GET ONE FREE. All proceeds for the sale go directly to supporting programming and equipment needs of the **SW library branch.**

**SUN 13 1:30-4 P.M.** The Friends of the Southwest DC Public Library is holding its **SUMMER Book Sale.** Books will be discounted and most will be \$1 our under – BUY ONE, GET ONE FREE. All proceeds for the sale go directly to supporting programming and equipment needs of the **SW library branch.**

**SAT 12 11 A.M.-1 P.M. SECOND SATURDAY MONTHLY NEIGHBORHOOD GET-TOGETHER** includes special offerings by **The Little Farm Stand,** freshly grilled burgers and hot dogs by the Amidon-Bowen PTA parents, cooking demonstrations by local celebrity Chef Kev and more. **Duck Pond, 6th & Eye St.**

**WED 16 6-9P.M. Neighborhood Happy Hours.** Meet and mingle with other Duck Pond supporters and check out our signature tee shirts and hoodies. **Station 4, 1101 Fourth St SW.** Happy Hour prices until 7pm)

**SAT 21 11 A.M.-3 P.M. COMMUNITY YARD SALE.** No Table Fee. Bring your own table with items to sell. Shop your neighbor's tables. Rain or Shine. Bring donation of one non-perishable food item. **Randall Community Center, 820 South Capitol & Eye St SW, 202-554-6973.**

**WED 23 6:30 P.M. Family Oral History Presentation,** Kelly Navies from the Washingtonian division of DCPL will give a presentation on capturing family oral histories. **SW Neighborhood Library.**

**THURS 24 6P.M.-8P.M.** Southwest Duck Pond, Community Open House & Ice Cream

**THURS 24 7P.M. ABC Committee, ANC6D at King Greenleaf Rec Center,** 201 N St SW, discussion about the DC Law, changes to the law, enforcement and other issues. To be added to community email list for regular notifications and questions/suggestions, contact: Coralie Farlee, Chair, ABC Committee, 202-554-4407, cfarlee@mindspring.com

**SAT 26 11 A.M. Wellness Weeks Workshop: Healthy Eating on a Budget,** Sapna Batheja, MS, RD, LD of the UDC Center for Nutrition and Health Cooperative Extension Service will discuss low-cost ways to eat healthy. **SW Neighborhood Library.**

**SAT 26 1 P.M. SOUTHWEST BOOK DISCUSSION.** You are invited to attend a discussion of Madeleine Albright's "Prague Winter." Copies available for checkout at the library. **SW Neighborhood Library.**

## WEEKLY, BIWEEKLY

**ADULT RECREATION, 10-12 Noon, Saturdays, King Greenleaf Recreation Center.**

**ADULTS/SENIORS BINGO BRUNCH, 1-3 P.M.,** Mondays and Thursdays, at **King Greenleaf Recreation Center**

**ADULT YOGA, 6 P.M. Mondays, FREE, Randall Community Center,** 820 South Capitol & Eye St SW. 202-554-6973.

**AFTER SCHOOL ACCESS, 3:30-5:00pm, Mondays and Fridays. Ages 6-14, King Greenleaf Recreation Center, 201 N Streets SW.**

**AFTERSCHOOL MEALS PROGRAM, 4-5 P.M., Monday –Friday, Ages 6-14. King Greenleaf Recreation Center.** Contact Paul Taylor, Gary Williams, Tiletia Harris-Walker.

**AYA COMMUNITY MARKET May 24-November 22, 2014** at Christ United Methodist Church, 900 4th Street SW. For more information contact: Christopher Bradshaw, 202-800-2613. chris@dreamingout-loud.org

**BABY AND TODDLER STORY TIME, 10:30 A.M., Tuesdays, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24th.** Fun songs, finger plays, and rhymes to promote early literacy development. For infants through 24 months and their caregivers. **SW Neighborhood Library.**

**BINGO FOR SENIORS, 1-3 P.M., Mondays and Thursdays, King Greenleaf Recreation Center.** Contact Tiletia Harris-Walker. 202-645-7454.

**BLUES MONDAYS, 6-9 P.M., Westminster Presbyterian Church,** 400 Eye Street SW, Various Blues musicians and singers featured each Monday. \$5. Food for sale.

**BOYS TO MEN, 5-6 P.M., Wednesdays, King Greenleaf Recreation Center.** Contact Mike Wilson, Gary Williams.

**SEEKING CHEERLEADERS for King Greenleaf Football Team. 6:30-7:45 P.M.** Ages 5-14, bring sneakers and leggings or shorts. Practices on Mon & Tues & Thurs.; Walk-Through on Fridays. Call Kaneisha (202) 251-8646 **King Greenleaf Recreation Center.**

## Community Calendar

View our on-line calendar at [www.swdc.org/calendar](http://www.swdc.org/calendar).

**Submit Calendar events to [calendar@thesouthwester.com](mailto:calendar@thesouthwester.com) by the 15th of the month preceding the month it is scheduled.**

**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL, 9:30 A.M. St. Augustine's Episcopal Church,** Fellowship Hall, downstairs, rear of Christ United Methodist Church 900 4<sup>th</sup> St SW. Children ages 3 and older are invited to join our loving and lively Sunday School where they are introduced to a loving God who welcomes and cares for all. Through biblical stories, art, music and holy play, our children are nurtured in their natural spirituality to grow as the "littlest members" of a community of faith.

**COMPUTER CLASSES, 10-12 Noon, Tuesdays, SW Neighborhood Library, 724-4752.**

**TUES 1** Introduction to Email  
**TUES 8** Microsoft Word  
**TUES 15** No class scheduled for this week  
**TUES 22** No class scheduled for this week  
**TUES 29** Microsoft Excel

**COMMUNITY YARD SALE, 11 A.M.-3 P.M., Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday. No Table Fee.** Bring donation of non-perishable food items; Bring your table and new or old items to sell. **Randall Community Center, 820 South Capitol & Eye St SW, Call to register 202-554-6973 or email: randallrec@sashabruce.org**

**COMPUTER CLASSES, 6-8 P.M., Mondays, DRP Certified Volunteer, King Greenleaf Recreation Center. 202-645-7454.**

**CREATE CLUB, 4-5 P.M. Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>.** Children 5-12 years of age are invited to join us after-school for different creative activities each week. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. **SW Neighborhood Library.**

**GAME CLUB, 4:30-5:30 P.M, Tuesdays, 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>** Children from 5-12 years of age are invited to play a wide selection of games. **SW Neighborhood Library.**

**GAME NIGHT, 7-8:15 P.M., Thursdays, Teens age 13-19** are invited to play Wii games at the **SW Neighborhood Library.**

**HAND DANCING CLASSES, 12-2 P.M. Saturdays, Jitterbug, Lindy Hop.** Classes by Markus Smith of Swing Anatomy Dance. \$10/class for adults, \$5/class for children 8-17. **Christ United Methodist Church, 900 Fourth Street SW, Community room off Wesley Place, SW.**

**HAND DANCING CLASSES, with Mr. Zeke, 12:30-3:30 P.M. Saturdays, King Greenleaf Recreation Center, 201 N Street SW. 202-645-7454.**

**JAZZ NIGHT IN SW, 6-9 P.M., Fridays, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 400 Eye Street SW.** Various Jazz musicians and singers featured each Friday. \$5. Food for sale.

**JOB CLUB, 12-2 P.M. Tuesdays, Ages 18 and older. Contacts: Paul Taylor, Mike Wilson. King Greenleaf Recreation Center. 202-645-7454**

**JOB SEEKERS PROGRAM, 1-7 P.M., Thursdays, By Appointment Only.** Help with resumes, cover letters, applications and other aspects of the job search process. **SW Neighborhood Library.** Call 724-4298 or stop by to set up an appointment.

**KING GREENLEAF FOOTBALL, 6-8 P.M., Ages 5-14, May 1-August 1, 2014.** For information contact Coach Greg (202) 528-0656 or Coach Jimmy (202) 531-1625 or Coach Mike (202) 251-8646.

**THE KIWANIS CLUB OF SOUTHWEST WATERFRONT, 6:30-7:30 P.M.,** every first and third Monday **SW Neighborhood Library.**

**KOMEN TOASTMASTERS, 10:30 A.M.-Noon, every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday, SW Neighborhood Library.** Feel free to visit us and to see our communications and leadership program at work.

**LITTLE FARM STAND, 10 A.M.-12 P.M. Saturdays, May through December** at the **Southwest Duck Pond** With organic produce, baked goods, maple syrup and preserves from Loudoun County's Red Gate Farm. [www.littlefarmstand.com](http://www.littlefarmstand.com)

**MACHINE PITCH, 5-6 P.M., Ages 7-8, Mondays & Wednesdays, King Greenleaf Recreation Center.** Contact Paul Taylor, Mike Wilson.

**MOVIE NIGHT, 7-8:30 P.M., Ages 14-19, Fridays, King Greenleaf Recreation Center.** Contact Michael Wilson 202-645-7454.

**NARFE-THE NATIONAL Active and Retired Federal Employees, 1:30-2:30 P.M.,** every fourth Thursday through May. **SW Neighborhood Library, basement meeting room.**

**OPEN COMPUTER TIME, 3-7 P.M. Mondays, Randall Community Center. 202-554-6973**

**PAJAMA STORYTIME, 6 P.M. Thursdays.** Put on your pajamas, grab your teddy bear and join us in the Children's Room for a story time before heading to bed! We'll read stories, sing songs and perform finger plays together. For children of all ages and their families. **SW Neighborhood Library.**

**POLICE SERVICE AREA 106, Community meeting, 10-11 A.M.,** every Last Saturday, Senior Citizen Community Room 900 5<sup>th</sup> Street S.E.

**PRE SCHOOL STORYTIME, 10:30 A.M. Wednesdays.** Join us for books, songs, rhymes and fingerplays as we continue to strengthen early literacy skills while enjoying stories together. An easy craft activity follows story time each week. Designed for children ages 2-5 years of age and parents/caregivers. **SW Neighborhood Library. 202-724-4752**

**SASSY SENIORS, Monthly trips** to play bingo, have parties, chat and chews, exercise and a great deal of other things. Come and sign up to participate. **King Greenleaf Recreation Center.** Contact Tiletia Harris-Walker 202-645-7454.

**SATURDAY WELLNESS WEEK programs: SAT 7<sup>th</sup> 12:30 P.M. Exercise Class** lead by Andrew Davis of Waterside Fitness Center. 1-3 P.M. **Seated Massage** provided by certified massage therapist in partnership with the Potomac Massage Institute. **SAT 14<sup>th</sup> 11A.M.-1P.M. Meditation** led by Karin Silverman. 1-2 P.M. **Yoga, 2-3 P.M. Breast Cancer Discussion** with Thelma Jones. **SW Neighborhood Library**

**SEATED YOGA, 11:00-Noon on Mondays, and Wednesdays 4-5 P.M., Westminster Presbyterian Church.** Pamela Wilson guides a gentle series of movements designed to free the joints and ease the mind. This is part of Westminster's Wellness program.

**SENIOR CARDIO EXERCISE, 11 A.M.-Noon, Wednesdays, King Greenleaf Recreation Center.** Contact Gary Williams.

**SOUTHWEST RENEWAL AA, Alcoholics Anonymous group, 7PM Mondays, Randall Community Center, South Capitol & Eye St SW. 202- 554-6973**

**THE SOUTHWEST WATERFRONT AARP #4751 CHAPTER.** Meetings will resume on **Wednesday, September 17, 2014 at 12 Noon.** Meetings are every Third Wednesday. Current AARP members and new prospective members are welcome. Costs: \$5.00 for lunch. River Park Mutual Homes' Community Room, 1311 Delaware Ave., SW. For further information, contact Chapter President Betty Jean Tolbert Jones, [bettyjeantolbertjones@yahoo.com](mailto:bettyjeantolbertjones@yahoo.com) or 202-554-0901.

**SW FREEWAY, NA, 7-8 P.M., Narcotics Anonymous group, Wednesdays, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 400 Eye Street SW.**

**TEEN CLUB, 6:30-8:30 P.M., Fridays, Ages 14-19. King Greenleaf Recreation Center,** Contact Angela Venable.

**TEEN GAME NIGHT, 5:30-6:30 P.M., Thursdays, Ages 13-19.** Enjoy video and board games. **SW Neighborhood Library.**

**TENNIS FOR BEGINNERS, 5-7 P.M., Wednesdays, Ages 6-13, DPR Certified Volunteers. King Greenleaf Recreation Center.**

**TAI CHI FOR BEGINNERS, 6:30 P.M., Tuesdays, Southwest Duck Pond.** Suitable for beginners of all ages and body types and both genders. A Follow up to our yoga series, five tai chi classes will be offered to introduce students to this ancient Asian martial art technique now commonly practiced for spiritual peace and physical fitness. [southwestduckpond.org](http://southwestduckpond.org) or [southwestduckpond@gmail.com](mailto:southwestduckpond@gmail.com)

**TOT LOT Program, 10:30-11:45 A.M. Thursdays, Randall Community Center, South Capitol & Eye St SW. 202- 554-6973.** Activity time for toddlers, ages 18 mos. to 3 years and parents/caregivers. Movement and activities that develop gross motor skills that can enhance balance, coordination, socialization, strength, self-esteem and reinforce cognitive development in a safe, nurturing and fun environment.

**WALK FOR WELLNESS, 11-12 P.M., Tuesdays and Fridays, while walking to music, in the gym of King Greenleaf Recreation Center.**

**WASHINGTON STAMP COLLECTOR'S CLUB, 7-9 P.M.,** First and Third Wednesday each month. Buy, trade and sell stamps. Refreshments, auctions and programs. **Christ United Methodist Church, 900 Fourth Street SW. 202-863-0564.**

**WELLNESS WEDNESDAYS, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 400 Eye Street SW, 4 P.M.** Seated Yoga and Healing Sessions (Pamela Wilson and Riva Wine). **5:30 P.M. Laughter Yoga (Claire Trivedi). 6:45 P.M. Sampoorna Yoga (Alex Rosen). 7 P.M. Narcotics Anonymous SW Freeway Meeting.**

**YOGA FOR ADULTS & TEENS, 7-8 P.M.** Every Tuesday, No class on 8<sup>th</sup> This weekly program is geared toward the beginners but all are welcome to attend. Bring your own mat or use one at the Library. **SW Neighborhood Library.**

**YOUNG LADIES ON THE RISE, 6-7 P.M., Thursdays, Ages 6-18, King Greenleaf Recreation Center.** Contact Safiyah Aleem-Woods.

**ZUMBA, 6 P.M. Thursdays, FREE, Randall Community Center, 820 South Capitol & Eye St SW. 202-554-6973.**

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By Jason Martin

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Units Sold	25	23	8.70%
Avg Days on Market	28	41	-31.71%
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